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Dear Dr. Nelson:

This letter is a follow-up to the telephone notification on March 17, 1993, of an overflow of the heat exchanger sump. The sump pump became plugged at approximately 4:00 PM. At that time, the sump began to fill and a high-level alarm was triggered at secondary treatment. When the operator went to investigate, the flow had filled the area around the sump and was making its way under the roll storage building and into Ennis Creek. The pump was unplugged and the flow diminished as the sump pump began working. A maximum of 5-10 gallons per minute reached the creek, for a total of less than 200 gallons. Very little discoloration was seen on the creek, only a minor darkening in the shallow area around the edge of the creek under the building. No adverse effect on the creek or wildlife was seen. The heat exchanger sump collects clean gland water (pump packing water) and some strong sewer effluent. The overflow was a combination of the two.

If you have any questions or require further information, feel free to call.

Sincerely,

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